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### Wilmot and Tilley.

Much of the history of the Province of New Brunswick during the greater part of last century is woven about the two figures whose biographies make up the latest addition to the Makers of Canada series being published by Morang & Company. This volume goes by the short title of "Wilmot and Tilley," the statesmen treated being Hon Lemuel Allan Wilmot and Sir Leonard Tilley. The biographer is Dr James Hannay, himself a New Brunswicker, who has entered upon his heavy task with enthusiasm and a sympathetic understanding of the local conditions at every point. Though Dr Hannay has followed his subjects closely at almost every turn, the book is rather a history of New Brunswick than an intimate sketch of the two men, at least in so far as their real life and character are concerned.

The story of the public services of these two men has a special interest for the people of Ontario, for each was the centre of a movement which had a counterpart in that Province. Mr Wilmot took a leading part in the fight for responsible government and in that connection he had to fight against an entrenched aristocracy and privileged classes such as provoked the outbreak of 1837 in Upper and Lower Canada. In fact, Mr Wilmot's chief public service was the fight he made in the interests of the common people and of the denominations which had not the same privileges as the Church of England. The Family Compact existed in New Brunswick and were ever ready to tell the people how loyal they were, while they at the same time kept possession of all the offices. Mr Wilmot performed a great service in securing the remedying of such abuses from his entrance into the Legislative Assembly in 1834 and by 1848 the principle of responsible government was affirmed on representations from the Colonial Secretary, Earl Grey. In 1843 he took a step which resulted in some criticism when he entered a Government of his political opponents. However, he contended that he could accomplish more as a member of the Cabinet than as a private member.

Mr Wilmot retired from politics in 1850 and was appointed to the Bench. From 1868 to 1873 he was Lieutenant-Governor of New Brunswick, his death occurring from an accident a few months after his retirement from office, at the age of 64.

Sir Leonard Tilley was born in 1818, nine years later than Wilmot, and lingered on the stage for nearly a quarter century after the former had passed away. His great service to New Brunswick was his long and successful fight for Confederation. He entered the Assembly in 1850, and one of his early efforts was the introduction and carrying through of a prohibitory liquor law in 1855.

"The use of liquor was then considered necessary to happiness if not to actual existence," and the measure not having the support of popular opinion was soon defeated. Mr Tilley was also active in promoting the Intercolonial Railway, and his mission to England on the subject in 1858 was hastened to a successful end by the solidifying influence of the Mason and Slidell incident.

A few years later the Confederation movement loomed on the horizon. While the Maritime delegates were in session at Charlottetown, the Ministers and leaders from Canada bore down upon them and in two days got them to throw in their lot for a federal union, and held another meeting at Quebec. Meantime the opponents of Confederation became active in New Brunswick, and at the election in 1865 there was such a cry that the people of that Province would be taxed for the benefit of Canada that the Government was defeated. The new Cabinet was, however, soon split by factions, Mr Tilley conducted a vigorous campaign all over the Province, and cohesion was again assisted by foes from without, namely the Fenian invaders—with the result that in the election of April, 1866, the Confederation party was successful.

The B N A act was then passed, Mr Tilley being one of the delegates to London. On the formation of the first Dominion Cabinet he entered the Federal arena as Minister of Customs, became Minister of Finance for a few months in 1873, retired to the post of Lieutenant-Governor until 1878, and with Sir John Macdonald's return to power, again became Minister of Finance. In that position he remained until 1885, one of his first duties being the introduction of the National Policy budget. His last public office was to return to the position of Lieutenant-Governor for another eight years, his public service lasting until within three years of his death, which occurred two days after the advent of the Liberals to power in June, 1896. Of Sir Leonard Tilley his biographer has naturally only good to say. He was an honest, conscientious public servant, respected by his political opponents and loved by his friends. Wilmot and Tilley are two public men of whom any Province might be proud.

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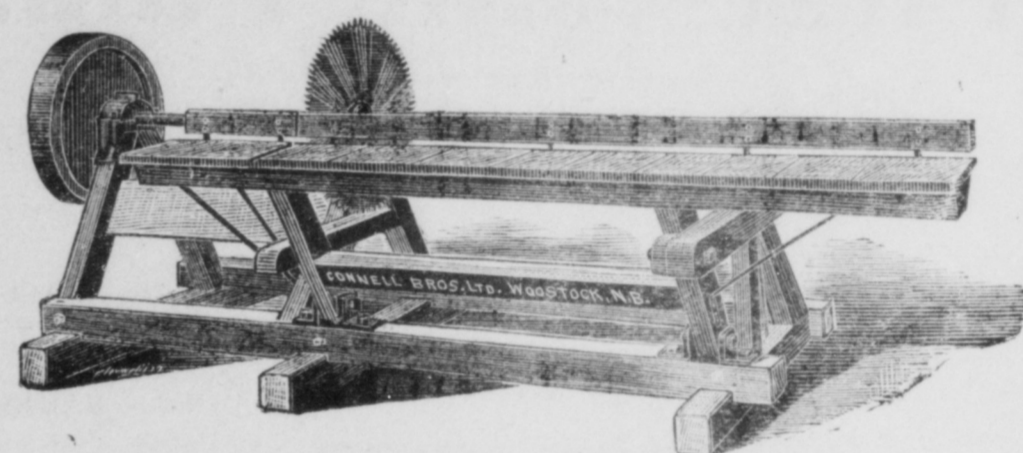
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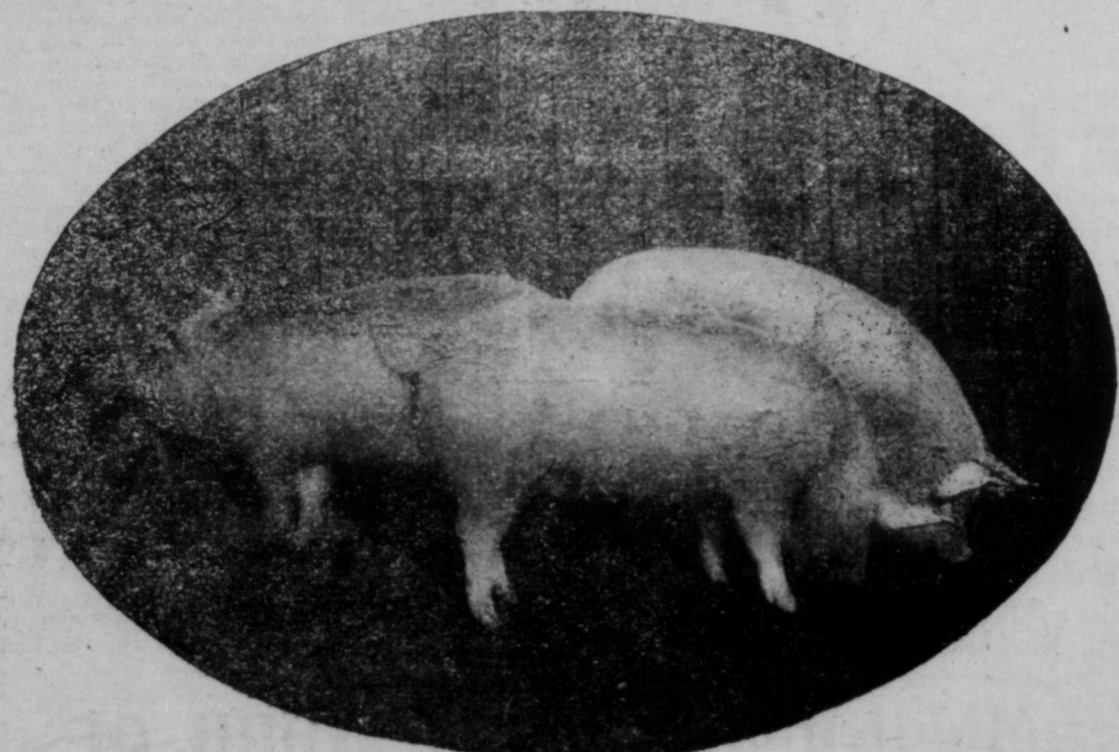
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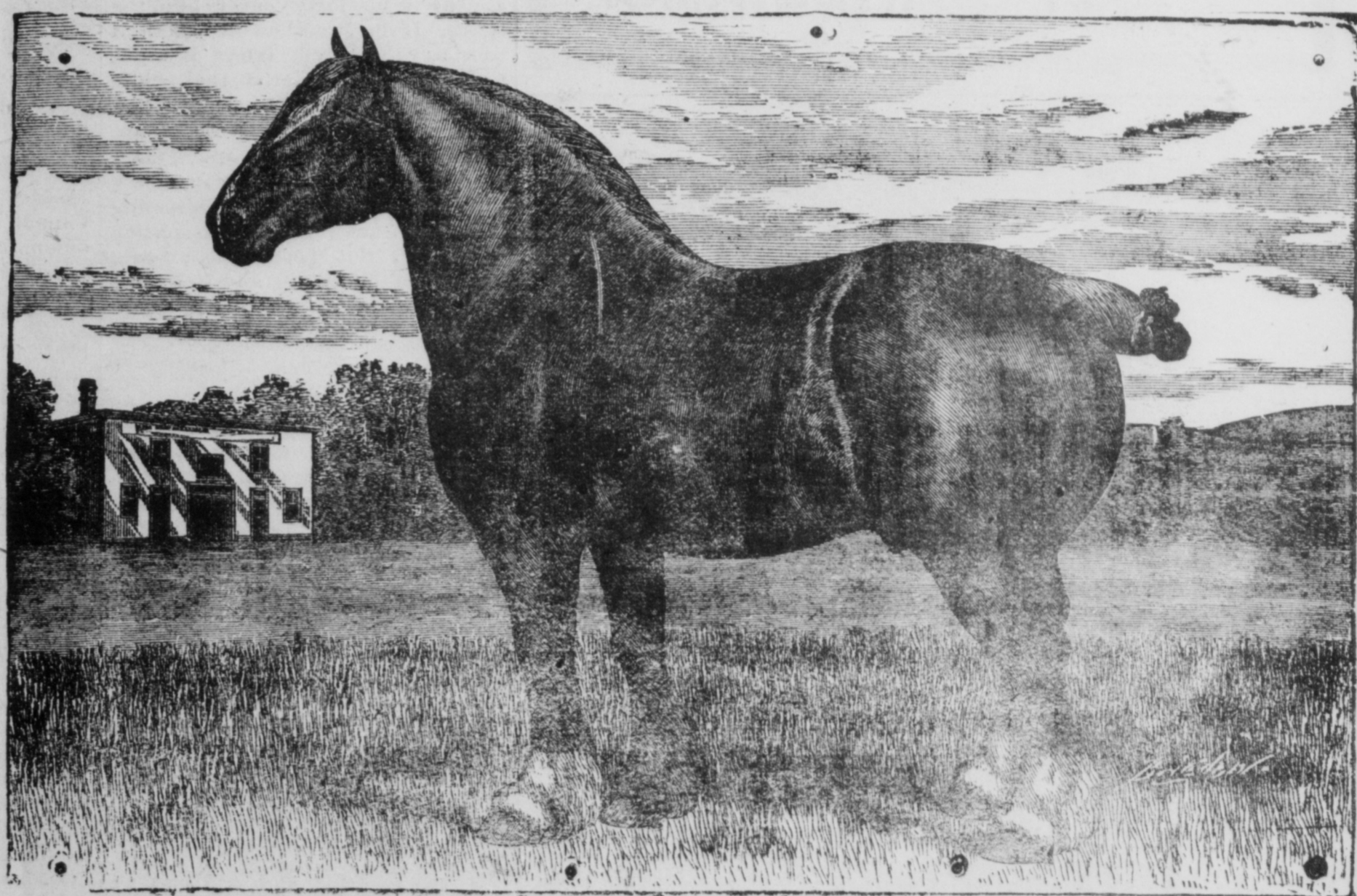
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